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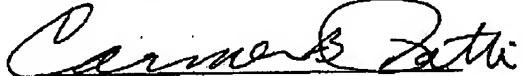
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Robert E. Stewart EXAMINER: Leonid M. Fastovsky
APPLN. NO.: 10/600,553 GROUP: 3742 CONF. NO. 6032
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TITLE: HEATING ELEMENT INDUCTION OF TIME-VARYING THERMAL
GRADIENT IN ELONGATED BEAM TO CAUSE ONE OR MORE
ELONGATED BEAM OSCILLATIONS

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent via facsimile transmission to Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop Amendment, Group Art Unit 3742, Attention: Leonid M. Fastovsky, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, at fax number (571) 273-8300, on January 6, 2006.



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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2005 in connection with the above-designated application. A response to the Office Action is due January 6, 2006. Therefore, this Response is timely filed.